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SUBJ: FRENCH-PERUVIAN RELATIONS

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1. FRENCH ECONOMIC COUNSELOR CONFIRMED TO EMBASSY OFFICER FEBRUARY 20 THAT FRENCH CONSULATE GENERAL HERE HAS HEARD NOTHING FROM PERUVIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY CONCERNING A POSSIBLE REESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS. COUNSELOR SAID THAT THERE IS HIGH-LEVEL PERUVIAN OPPOSITION TO SUCH REESTABLISHMENT, BUT FRENCH HERE DO NOT KNOW PRECISELY WHO IS OPPOSED. HE SPECULATED THAT GENERAL JOSE GRAHAO HURTADO, THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL OF PRESIDENTIAL ADVISORS (COAL) MAY BE ONE OF THE KEY ANTI-FRENCH FIGURES CLOSE TO PRESIDENT VELASCO. HE ALSO NOTED IN PASSING THAT THE FRENCH HAD BEEN TERRIBLY IRKED BY A STORY HEADLINED IN THE GOVERNMENT-OWNED "LA CRONICA" FEBRUARY 19 ON FRENCH NUCLEAR TESTING POLICY WITH THE TITLE "FRANCE BELIEVES IN NO ONE: MORE BOMBS." HE TOOK THE STORY AS A CLEAR SIGN THAT THE REESTABLISHMENT OF RELATIONS IS CERTAINLY NOT IMMINENT.

2. HE ALSO CONFIRMED THAT THE GOP REMAINS VERY INTER-CONFIDENTIAL

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ESTED IN ACQUIRING MORE MIRAGES, RATHER THAN F-5'S,

SINCE THE FORMER ARE LESS COMPLICATED AND COMPLEMENT
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